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News worth sharing.

Fowl. Bylaw



► Supporters of Operation Chicken rally yesterday outside Centennial Hall.

Yes, we want no chickens

City council's community and neighbourhoods committee had a public-participation meeting on backyard chickens yesterday. Members of Operation Chicken were looking for council's support on the hotly debated issue. In the end, the committee passed a motion to take no further action on a proposal to allow backyard chickens.

Council supports porn-free zone

- Move comes after sex show turned away from Western Fair
- Only library computers available to children have porn filters

A group trying to keep pornography out of London libraries and events sponsored by the porn industry out of city-funded venues has won its first battle.

The city's community and neighbourhoods committee voted unanimously yesterday to recommend that the London Public Library Board add porn filters to computers and that city staff review the implications of not leasing space to events backed by pornographers.

Committee members also gave support to resurrecting a Queen's Park bill that would have required computer filters in all Ontario libraries and schools.

Mayor Joe Fontana called the issues "worth standing up for."

The city needs to step forward and say "we believe this is inappropriate," Fontana said.

Coun. Stephen Orser, a mem-

ber of the neighbourhoods committee, called the actions "part and parcel" to "pedophile proofing London."

Councillors discussed the issue and voted after the London Abused Women's Centre, Stop Porn Culture and Men Against Sexual Trafficking gave a gritty presentation titled, Who wants to be a porn star? Sex and violence in today's pornography industry.

Portions of the 20-minute presentation were graphic, showing topless women and sexual acts with genitals blocked out.

Walker, who led the presentation, said she and others talked with Fontana before the meeting. While the issues still must win support of the full council, Walker is optimistic.

"We're pretty overwhelmed," she said after the meeting. Having the committee's unanimous



"We do not believe there is any place for pornography in tax-funded venues."

MEGAN WALKER,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
LONDON ABUSED WOMEN'S CENTRE

support is "pretty exciting for this community."

The group will seek permission to make its presentation to the library board if council supports recommending computer filters at its Aug. 29 meeting. Walker said

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Sean Tompkins remembered

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Revamping your daily commute

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Prius wagon has bases covered

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Police remind Londoners of street safety after boy wearing headphones was struck by an SUV. Scan code for story.

To scan 2D barcodes in Metro, download the free ScanLife app at 2dscan.com.

On the web at metronews.ca

Quebec Premier Jean Charest jokes with reporters about hoax story announcing his death from a heart attack. Video at metronews.ca

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Icicle. Tricycle



► Six-year-old Justin Morgan gets a cool treat from Matt Lund yesterday on a hot afternoon in Ivey Park. Lund is the owner of the Icicle Tricycle and this is his first summer selling ice cream and popsicles to Londoners. In the fall, Lund will be attending the University of Ottawa to study translation.

MIKE ARSENAULT/FOR METRO

Kids get the scoop on ice cream at Ivey Park

Caregiver leave promised

► Province announces Family Caregiver Leave would be amendment to Ontario's Employment Standards Act



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The provincial Liberals introduced a plan yesterday to offer eight weeks of unpaid leave for workers caring for ill family members if they win the Oct. 6 election.

The proposed Family Caregiver Leave would give Ontarians up to eight weeks of unpaid time away from work to care for family members unable to care for themselves — those afflicted by a serious injury or illness.

The plan would be an extension of the current Family



► Labour Minister Charles Sousa

Medical Leave, which grants up to eight weeks of unpaid leave to a caregiver if a family member is terminally ill.

"We have emergency leave, we have medical leave, but there's a requirement to have some assistance in between (those instances)," Labour Minister

Charles Sousa said at a media conference at Ronald McDonald House of Southwestern Ontario.

"At a time where people are suffering, where families are suffering, we just wanted to ensure that while they are caring for others that they'll be protected to have a job when they get back."

The executive director of Ronald McDonald House of Southwestern Ontario said the Family Caregiver Leave would make it easier on parents with sick children.

"(Parents) will not have to worry about their job disappearing while they're here," said Margaret Ander-

Plan details

- Family Caregiver Leave would provide up to eight weeks of unpaid leave per year for immediate family members and dependents.
- A doctor's note would be required in order to qualify for Family Caregiver Leave.
- The leave could be taken in weekly increments; it does not have to be consecutive.
- It would act as a complement to other leaves available to Ontarians.

son. "Oftentimes, for many of our families, it is a choice — be there, help their child or try to keep (their) job."

Couple charged with assault

A London couple has been charged with sexual assault, assault and forcible confinement of an adult woman. Police have charged 37-year-old Johnathon Rick and Cynthia Anderson, 35.

Last Saturday, police and EMS responded to an address to check on the welfare of a woman. An investigation revealed that the victim was subjected to numerous sex assaults and assaults over a period of time. The victim, who remains in hospital, and the accused are known to each other.

Police said no further information will be released at this time to protect the identity of the victim. ● METRO

Health reminder for college students

With post-secondary students returning to London, the Middlesex-London Health Unit is reminding those of college and university age to ensure they are protected against measles, mumps and rubella. The advice comes after the health unit received reports of several cases of mumps among people who are in this age group.

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TRANSIT IN THE CITY

Revamping the daily commute

For the third and final instalment of our transit series, we asked for ways to improve the experience of waiting and riding. And you answered. Here's some of what readers from coast to coast have on their wishlists.



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BUS-ONLY LANES

- "(It) would allow buses to bypass heavy traffic and maintain a regular schedule, even during rush hour. This would be good for everyone, not just for regular transit users."

— Peter Byrne, Calgary



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PRE-PAID FARE CARDS

- "The cards can be reloaded with either cash or tickets/tokens.... Then transfers will become obsolete, saving tons of paper per year."
- Simeon Wong, Toronto
- "All stations are equipped with a fare vending machine, which dispenses a reloadable transit card. Fare is calculated in regards to how far you're travelling within the system."

— Jewely, Toronto

BETTER SHELTERS

- "Partial shelters ... offer absolutely nothing in terms of protection from the snow or rain.... Bus shelters (should) also have an intercom to contact both police and a bus call centre for help and inquiries."

— Donovan Lam, Toronto



FLICKR.COM: DINGBAT2005

LONGER HOURS, ON WEEKENDS ESPECIALLY

- "It would reduce drinking and driving and encourage nightlife downtown."
- Tom Broniewicz, London
- "There are many people without cars that have to work shifts and need to rely on other means of transportation just to get to and from work."

— Anita Kubin, Toronto



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APPS

- "Wi-Fi on all buses. Automated schedule changes or holiday updates via email or text message."
- @halirob, Halifax
- Fix the GPS system by making it real-time instead of what appears to be an approximation based on schedules."
- Tom Broniewicz, London



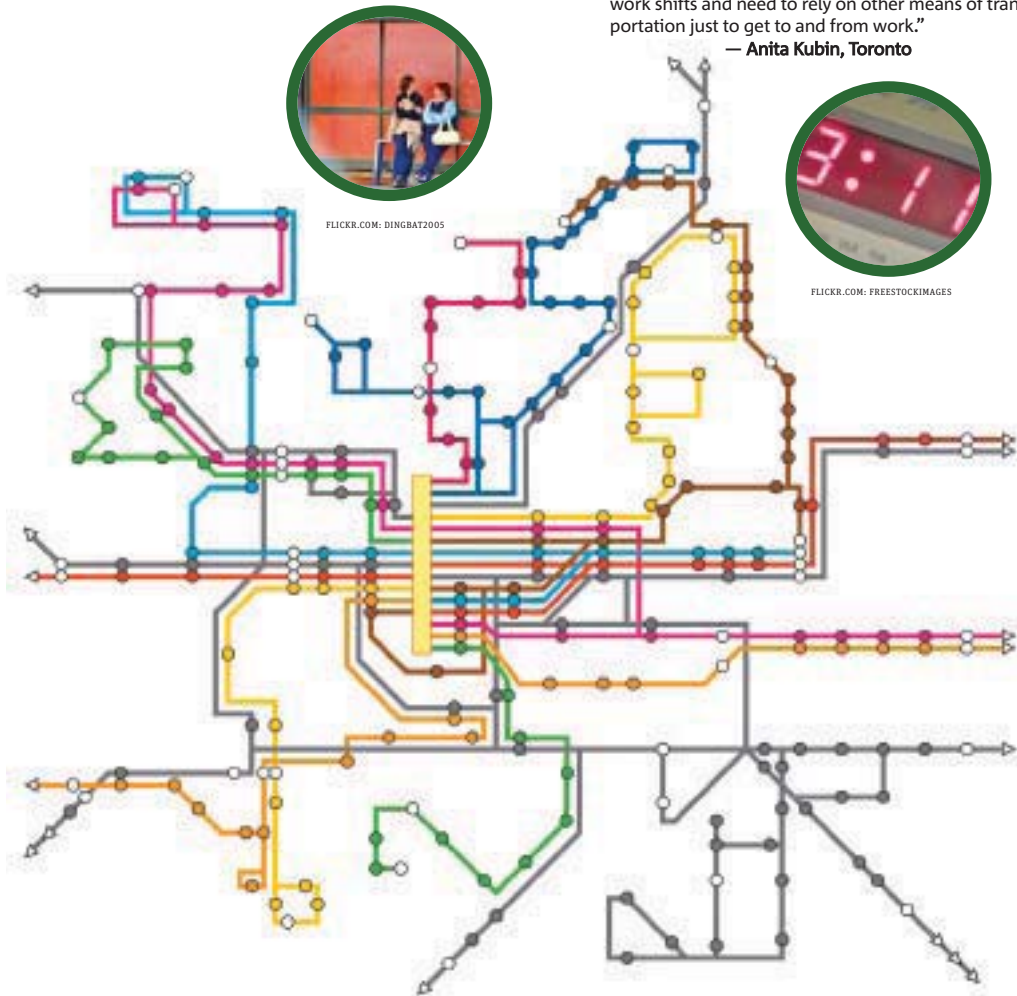
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BETTER ANNOUNCEMENT SYSTEMS

- "Monitor screens at each station (display) the expected arrival of the next three trains.... (Vehicles) should be equipped with screens for displaying the stops and also have an automated voice to announce the stops."
- Sofiat M. Akinola, Calgary



Want to catch a bus? There's an app for that

DARREN CALABRESE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Cities across Canada are trying to boost public transit use by tackling one of the biggest frustrations for riders, the interminable wait at a bus stop wondering when the heck that bus will come.

Municipal transit services are turning to text-messaging systems, apps for mobile devices and even alerts for your desktop to make riding a bus, train or subway more predictable and user-friendly.

Winnipeg is on the leading edge, using global positioning software on all its buses to provide real-time information across multiple platforms. With a quick click on a computer or mobile device, you can see when your bus will arrive — and not the scheduled time, but an up-to-the-minute estimate based on its current position and traffic volumes.

Winnipeg has spent more than \$4 million on



► A GPS app is used on a mobile device in front of a streetcar in Toronto.

its information system, which includes a program

called BusGadget. Designed for a home or office

computer, the program lets users monitor one or more bus stops to see when upcoming buses are due.

Toronto's transit authority has also moved to provide real-time arrival information through GPS locators on its buses. The system went online last month through a third-party website. Users can also send a text that includes their bus-stop number and get a message back that

outlines the arrival times of upcoming buses.

The Toronto Transit Commission doesn't have the type of desktop software that Winnipeg does to remind users of upcoming buses, but it is allowing software developers to access its data and come up with their own programs.

Other cities, such as Edmonton and Montreal, have plans to add GPS technology.

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Online death plot takes darker turn

- **Police: Target of Facebook hit fatally shot in Philly**
- **Ex-girlfriend accused of offering \$1K for killing**

A Philadelphia man was gunned down hours after a judge upheld felony charges against his ex-girlfriend, who was accused of offering \$1,000 on Facebook for someone to kill him. But with the teenager who allegedly took the bait already in custody, investigators said yesterday they aren't sure why the man was killed.

Corey White, 22, was shot once in the chest Monday night on a West Philadelphia street, authorities said.

Homicide investigators said White got into an argument with the occupants of a brown car and a man got out of the vehicle

and shot him.

"There are a couple of other theories out there," Capt. James Clark said.

A few hours earlier, a municipal judge had approved charges including murder solicitation against White's girlfriend, 20-year-old London Eley of Philadelphia, and murder conspiracy and weapons charges against 18-year-old Timothy Bynum of suburban Darby.

"I will pay somebody a stack to kill my baby father," Eley wrote in a post this spring, according to a police affidavit.

A "stack" is \$1,000, investigators said.

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Serious or not?

- Eley's attorney said at Monday's hearing that his client was merely venting about an argument she'd had with her ex-boyfriend and had no intention of following through.
- "When you do it on a computer, you are putting it out there for the whole world to see and memorializing it," defence attorney Gerald Stein said.
- "Unfortunately, it sort of magnifies the anger."
- Prosecutors countered by saying Eley wasn't joking about the hit in the original post.

Weather. Surprise



► Becky Chen walks through the snow yesterday in Johnsonville, a suburb of Wellington, New Zealand.

HAGEN HOPKINS/GETTY IMAGES

N.Z. snow staying put

The freak polar blast that has hit New Zealand is expected to last for several days. Snow has appeared in areas of the country not normally affected, including Auckland's downtown area, which has not seen snow for 72 years.

Charest laughs off hoax report

A Montreal newspaper is filing a complaint with police after someone hacked its website and posted a fake story announcing the death of Quebec's premier.

The website of Le Devoir was tampered overnight with a story announcing the death of Premier Jean Charest.

Newspaper officials shut down the site and posted a note correcting the hoax report early yesterday morning.

Charest joked about the story when he saw reporters at a cabinet meeting yesterday morning in Quebec City.

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"I hurried to the mirror to see if I was still there. As you can see, I'm in fine shape."

QUEBEC PREMIER JEAN CHAREST



A very healthy improvement.

IN 2003 BABIES WERE SCREENED FOR 2 DISEASES. NOW THEY'RE SCREENED FOR 28.

Source: Ministry of Health, 2011.

Aussie 'collar bomb' suspect linked to family's business

SAM UPSHAW JR./THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

An Australian investment banker accused of attaching a fake bomb to a teenager's neck as part of an extortion plot once worked for a company with ties to the victim's family, according to federal court documents released yesterday.

U.S. Magistrate Judge Dave Whalin yesterday ordered 50-year-old Paul Douglas Peters jailed pending an extradition hearing Oct. 14.

The FBI arrested Peters on Monday without incident at his ex-wife's house in a well-heeled suburb near Louisville.

An 11-page arrest complaint filed in court does not elaborate on Peters'



► Paul Douglas Peters, left, of Sydney, Australia, is escorted yesterday from the Federal Courthouse in Louisville, Ky., after he was arraigned in connection with a bomb hoax.

business tie with the victim's family or describe a motive.

Peters, who was bound at the legs coming into the courtroom, made a brief

appearance in court with his lawyer, Scott Cox. His ex-wife, Debra Peters, sat alone in the front row, weeping quietly.

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Biker hurt after prank on highway

RCMP in southern Alberta are looking for witnesses after a prankster tossed sparkling fireworks from a moving

car at some cyclists.

The three bikers were travelling east on Highway 1A near Cochrane, Ont., on Sunday when a passing vehicle surprised them.

One man was so startled by the flying smoke and flames that he hit the ditch with his bike.

He broke an arm in the fall and needed stitches for cuts to his arms and legs.

Mounties say several other motorists were on the highway at the time and may have information to help with their investigation.

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India. Corruption



► Supporters of social activist Anna Hazare shout slogans after they were detained in New Delhi yesterday.

GURINDER OSAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Police prevent hunger strike

In India, prominent anti-corruption activist Anna Hazare was detained by police yesterday. Police nabbed him just hours before he was set to embark on a public hunger strike to demand tougher anti-corruption laws on the country's scandal-plagued government.

Gadhafi forces take hospital

- Two doctors manage to escape
- Rebels make push into Zawiya

The day Libyan rebels advanced into the strategic city of Zawiya, Moammar Gadhafi's forces clamped down on the local hospital.

They forced doctors to perform hours of consecutive surgeries, put snipers on the roof and an anti-aircraft gun near the entrance, two doctors who managed to escape said yesterday.

As the Libyan regime's grip on this coastal city of 200,000 is slipping, stories are seeping out about the reign of fear and intimidation imposed here over the past five months.

Residents interviewed in rebel-controlled parts of Zawiya gave accounts of mass arrests in the preceding months. A woman said her son-in-law and two of his relatives were arrested and killed by Gadhafi agents.

Zawiya had risen up forcefully against Gadhafi when anti-regime protests swept the country in mid-February, but was reoccu-

pied in a brutal crack-down in mid-March. Rebels pushed into the city on Saturday, but after four days of fighting, Gadhafi's soldiers still cling to positions in eastern areas, including the hospital.

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Outrage

- Anger against the regime runs deep in Zawiya, where residents said regime supporters supplied Gadhafi soldiers with lists of suspected rebel sympathizers to arrest.
- Abdel Moez Ramadan, a 20-year-old fighter, said he was imprisoned for three months, suffering beatings and electrical shock during the first 20 days. He said his interrogators demanded that he chant slogans in praise of Gadhafi.
- After his release, he fled to the rebels' mountain stronghold and joined the fight to free Zawiya, he said.

ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN CONFLICT

Two killed in Gaza violence

The Israeli military killed two Palestinians in the Hamas-ruled Gaza Strip yesterday, one in an airstrike and another as he approached the Gaza border, Israeli and

Palestinian officials said.

The military said its aircraft struck five targets in retaliation for Palestinian rocket fire on southern Israel Monday that exploded in the city of Beersheba. It said aircraft hit a group of armed men.

Late yesterday, Israeli soldiers also shot a Palestinian when he approached the border that separates Gaza and Israel.

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Madoff investors can't claim more

Investors who lost billions of dollars in Bernard Madoff's massive multi-decade Ponzi-scheme fraud are not entitled to recover fake profits that were described to them in

phony statements, a U.S. federal appeals court said yesterday.

The court concluded that a trustee's calculation of the investors' losses was "legally sound" and that a bankruptcy court was correct when it rejected arguments from lawyers for investors who said their clients should receive more than what they initially gave to Madoff.

A three-judge panel of the Manhattan court said

customer statements showing that initial investments of about \$17.3 billion had ballooned to more than \$65 billion "reflect impossible transactions and the trustee is not obligated to step into the shoes of the defrauder or treat the customer statements as reflections of reality."

Madoff is serving a 150-year sentence after admitting the fraud.

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My little Ponzi

► **Madoff told investors** before his 2008 arrest that their investments had more than tripled, but the investments were never made.

► **Many investors are angry** about the court ruling, particularly those who recovered and spent more than their original investment based on expectations that more money was coming.

U.K. phone hacking covered up: Journalist

► **MPs could recall James Murdoch in wake of contradictory account**

Convicted phone hacker Clive Goodman warned more than four years ago that illegal eavesdropping was widespread at the News of the World tabloid and its senior journalists had approved the practice, according to a letter Goodman wrote to the human resources director of the paper's parent company.

In the letter, made public yesterday by British MPs, Goodman said phone hacking was carried out with "the full knowledge and support" of the paper's leadership.

Both News of the World and parent company News International have insisted that Goodman — who was fired, convicted and jailed for his role in the scandal — was the only reporter involved in intercepting voicemail messages.

Goodman's letter, addressed to Daniel Cloke and dated March 2, 2007, directly contradicts that.

Goodman said he was acting with the backing of senior journalists, that other staff at the News of the World were also hacking phones and that "this practice was widely discussed in the daily editori-



► Clive Goodman, shown in London in 2006.





al conference, until explicit reference to it was banned by the editor."

The names of those involved have been obscured by police.

The House of Commons' culture, media and sport committee said they will probably recall James Murdoch to answer more questions about phone hacking at the News of the World. Murdoch, who runs the European division of his father Rupert's media empire, testified last month that he was unaware of evidence of widespread phone hacking at the paper.

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Market moment

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- 152.9 (12,530)	- 0.23¢ (101.82¢ US)
Oil	Natural gas
	
- \$1.23 (\$86.65 US)	\$3.93 US (- 0.9¢)
	Gold \$1,785 US (+ \$27)

Goodall sues over 'Janey Baby' food

Jane Goodall's non-profit organization is suing an organic baby-food company, claiming it failed to pay up after the primate expert agreed to market a vegetarian product called Janey Baby.

The Jane Goodall Institute for Wildlife Research, Education and Conservation filed the lawsuit in Manhattan against Sprout Foods, which was co-founded by chef Tyler Florence of the Food Network. The institute claims Sprout owes it \$720,000 US.

Sprout says the contract was made by its former CEO and that the firm was in discussions with the institute about a revised relationship. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



► Jane Goodall



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Project Runway: Fiat edition

Fiat will introduce a Gucci version of its 500 mini car in the United States.

The black special edition of the car features glossy paint, chrome detailing and a leather interior with white accents. It has the Italian fashion label's emblem on the headrests. It also has Gucci's signature green-and-red stripe along the body, seatbelts and seats.



It will be introduced Sept. 8 at the start of New York Fashion Week and will come to

showrooms in December.

It's an effort to boost sales of the car, which have been slow since its North American debut in March.

Fiat has sold 7,982 mini cars in the U.S. and 3,064 in Canada, short of its goal of 50,000 for the year.

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Patent suit targets Apple Inc.

Taiwanese smartphone maker HTC Corp. says Apple Inc. has violated three patents covering smartphones and other technologies, the latest round in a dispute between the two firms.

HTC filed its latest lawsuit yesterday in Wilmington, Del., where Apple Inc. sued HTC a year ago. Both

companies also have complaints before the U.S. International Trade Commission, which has the power to block imports of devices and parts found to infringe on a company's intellectual property.

HTC seeks unspecified damages and a ban that would prevent Apple from using the technologies in question. Affected products include the iPhone, the iPad tablet computer, Mac notebook, desktop computers and iPod music players.

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IF YOU BELIEVE THEY'LL PUT A MAN ON MARS

JUST SAYIN' ...

PAUL SULLIVAN
METRO



My ambition to be the first man on Mars has lost a little steam over the past few years.

You know the story: Kids, career and mortgage have taken a toll on a quest that was spawned even before I read *Stranger in a Strange Land* and grokked it in fullness.

But I'm back, baby. Thanks to the 14th International Mars Society Convention last week in Dallas, there's a new spring in my step that will come in handy on Mars, where I only weigh 75.4 pounds. I'll be able to leap tall buildings in a single bound. If there are any.

I was starting to lose hope. Speaking of lacking gravity, U.S. President Barack Obama is a nice guy, but his vision on space is lightweight. He has scuttled the idea of human missions to the moon and Mars, instead promising to send astronauts to an asteroid by 2020.

Gee, that's great. Let's all go to a rock.

But the romance of interplanetary space travel is not dead. The theme of the conference — attended by actual grownups — was Mars or Bust! All right! Where do I sign up? If I knew what to pack, I'd start now.

Mars buffs have had it with the government. If you want to do anything right, you have to do it yourself. So Elon Musk, the guy who invented PayPal and the Tesla electric car, has announced he's mounting an expedition to Mars. Details to follow.

The fact is no one is quite sure how to get there, or whether we could stand the extended blast of

cosmic radiation that goes with a long space flight. But that didn't bother anyone at Mars Or Bust 2011, or prevent them from debating the marriage of X-ray pulsar deep-space navigation versus Variable Specific Impulse Magnetoplasma Rockets (VASIMR). Whatever. Beam me up, Scotty.

Right in the middle of Mars Or Bust, scientists discovered (or thought they did — there's a lot of that when it comes to Mars) actual water on Mars. This of course means it won't be long before we identify the martians themselves, who have stayed under the radar until determining if our intentions are friendly.

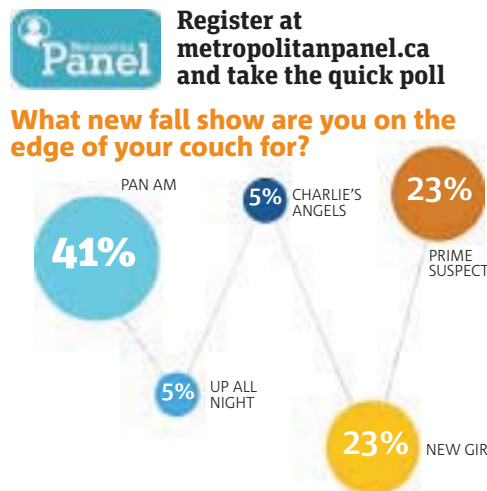
It's OK. You can come out now. We come in peace. Let me be the first to shake your tentacle.

Now, how about a condo development with a view of Olympus Mons (just the highest peak in the solar system at 29 kilometres!).

You'll be a wealthy ... entity.

Hey, being the first man on Mars has its advantages.

Read more of Paul Sullivan's columns at metronews.ca/justsayin



Local tweets



►@saintpal: ...where is my bus???

#ldnont #ltc

#20Cherryhill is almost 10 mins #late

►@andrehallam: Can I just say how nice my walk to work has been with Dundas being closed to traffic #ldnont

►@enitemayr: Melatonin, no luck. Benadryl-ish stuff, no luck, exhaustion...kinda. Good night's rest? Still escaping me. Wish I was in bed in #ldnont

►@morganleigh_: Was in muskoka for 3 weeks and didn't get a single mosqui-

to bite. One weekend in #ldnont and I have enough I can barely sleep.

►@janicerichmond: I hate it when IKEA sends me a catalogue but won't build a store here #ldnont

►@patsearle: What's a good twitter to follow for non-partisan updates about #voteON? (#olp #ondp #opc #ldnont #toronto #onpoli)

►@CommLivLondon: A huge thank you to Blewett&Associates & @larryriffin for helping to inspire possibilities in #ldnont by sponsoring our Serious(ly) Fun Run!

Letters

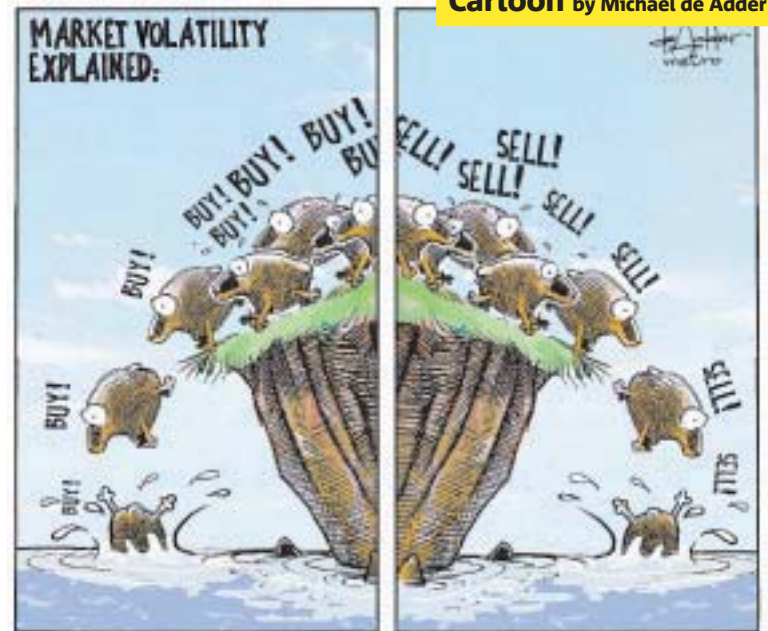
If you had a magic wand, what would you change about transit?

Thanks for helping the public to have a voice in this. I have been an avid customer of the LTC since 1994, but there are several things I would love to see changed about the way that they operate, and I believe these things would encourage me to take the bus more often and also potentially attract new customers (as they are hoping to do).

First of all and biggest of all is the hub system by which they operate. Especially with increasing urban sprawl, this is not only a massively overly time-consuming approach for the customer, but completely ineffective many times. Downtown is NOT everyone's destination, nor is this method effective for keeping loitering down in the downtown area while people wait usually half an hour for your transfer because (and this is point No. 2) the buses are timed so as to all come to the same place at about the same time, causing congestion on the streets and a lot of missed buses.

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LONDON

Cartoon by Michael de Adder



WEIRD NEWS

First up on the agenda: Naming a street after the Biebs

The 11-year-old "mayor for a day" of a Dallas-area city knows what her first major act in office will be: Renaming part of Main Street for teen heart-throb Justin Bieber.

A temporary sign for "Justin Bieber Way" went up yesterday during a ceremony in Forney, Texas.

City manager Brian

Brooks says the request came from 11-year-old Caroline Gonzalez. She won a contest meant to get young people interested in municipal government. She's active in student council, recycling and community-service projects.

Brooks says city officials weren't able to reach Bieber to invite him to Forney, which is about 24 kilometres east of Dallas.

The tween politician's act won't cost the community much.

Officials say the sign was made for about \$20 and would only be displayed for the day.

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The spy who loved mom

► In honour of the latest Spy Kids movie, we asked parents if their kids would make good spies ► The results will have you laughing ... and probably locking your bedroom door



Name of Mom: Robin
Kid: Seth, 8

Why he makes a good spy: "Every day when he gets home, he goes on some kind of 'mission.' He makes all kinds of spy gear and is always dressing up as agents. He made a keypad out of paper for his door so he



could 'secure' his room. Since I'm his mom, he gave me a code to punch in so that I can enter."

Name of Mom: Zoe
Kid: Ezra, age 7

Why he makes a good spy: "He talked his Dad into buying him a toy motion detector alarm that really works. He sets it up all over the house and then lies in wait for me to trigger it. I round the corner at the top of the stairs and trip the laser and wham-



mo — sirens go off. Ezra jumps out from behind the door shouting, 'Caught you!'"

Name of Mom: Melanie
Kid: Mayla, 5

Why she makes a good spy: "She's always 'spying' on her dad. When he leaves the apartment, she uses her 'spy glasses' (sunglasses with mirrors inside) to peek out the door to verify that he has actually left the building. Then she steals one of his everyday items, like a water bottle or gum or Altoids, and



adds it to her 'secret dad stash.' We had no idea she was doing this! For months, my husband kept on wondering where his stuff was disappearing to."

Name of Mom: Jill
Kid: Mac, 4

Why he makes a good spy: "He has three alter egos. One is 'Secret Agent Puppy.' He came up with him after he got a children's spy kit that contains a magnifying glass, binoculars, fingerprint dusting powder and brush, invisible ink pen, code writing and cracking



instructions. He dusts drinking glasses and the door leading to our deck for prints, and then informs us that 'bad guys' were in our house."

Name of Mom: Marisa
Kid: Molly, age 8

Why she makes a good spy: "She likes to sneak around our hallway with a little spy notebook and invisible ink. Unfortunately, all she has detected so far is our neighbours going to the recycling bin or carrying in bags from the



supermarket. But if there's ever a conspiracy on the 9th floor, she'll be on top of it." ● RAVEN SNOOK

False claims



J.K. Rowling is not amused by a publisher's promise that some of its books will be brought to her attention. PublishAmerica, in a message on its website, is telling authors that a "delegation" will soon meet with her in Edinburgh and tell the Harry Potter author about some of their books. Writers are asked to submit 50-100 word notes that the delegation will present to Rowling. The price: \$49.

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Teen Alex Van Helsing hunts vampires in action-packed *Voice of the Undead*

► Jessica Alba stars in *Spy Kids: All the Time in the World* in 4D, which opens Friday.

Hell-o Harry: Most eligible royal back on the market?

► It's over: Prince Harry and his model girlfriend part ways ► Rumour has it the ginger-haired hottie wants to focus on his helicopter training



► Florence Brudenell-Bruce

Prince Harry and model Florence Brudenell-Bruce have reportedly called it quits because Harry is preparing for the army, according to People maga-

zine. "Harry has a lot on his mind at the moment. He is concentrating on his Apache helicopter training. After that he's expect-



► Prince Harry

ing to return to Afghanistan," a source says of the Prince, who recently returned from a vacation with friends to Majorca. "Harry enjoyed spend-

ing time with friends over the summer, but he doesn't want to be tied down in a relationship when training."

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Biebs pulls in more than Miley Cyrus

Justin Bieber is Hollywood's richest teen, according to People magazine. The Canadian pop sensation pulled in a reported \$53 million

last year. Most of his impressive income came from his 3-D movie, Never Say Never, and his perfume line, Someday, which

reached \$3 million in retail sales in just three weeks.

Former No. 1 Miley Cyrus dropped to the second spot, earning only \$48

million last year.

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The Voice is a more gay-friendly show than Idol: Adam Levine



► Adam Levine

Adam Levine says the reason his singing competition show, The Voice, is better than American Idol is because of how his show treats gay contestants.

"What's always pissed me off about Idol is wanting to mask that, for that to go unspoken," he tells Out magazine.

"Come on. You can't be publicly gay? At this

point? On a singing competition? Give me a break. You can't hide basic components of these people's lives."

Levine is especially passionate about the topic because of his brother.

"I can single-handedly dispel any ideas that sexuality is acquired," Levine laughs.

"Trust me, you're born with it. My brother is gay,

when he was two. We all knew."

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Celebrity tweets



"I had a lot of fun traveling around, but I'm glad to be home. Last night I got up to get some water and wound up in my closet."



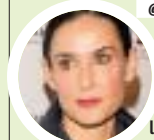
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"Time for bed fantasy football league owners dinner tonight time to get serious about my draft!"



► Salma Hayek

Salma embraces her crazy riches

Salma Hayek won't necessarily make any friends during the economic downturn, given her latest comments about being rich.

"I never understood the point of being privileged if you don't get to have the privileges," Hayek tells Allure magazine.

"Like, people who won't take their kids to an expensive restaurant, or won't travel with them, or make them pay for everything at a really young age. I think it's impor-

tant that kids have responsibilities and understand the value of things, but I think it's great I get to travel the world with my daughter." Hayek married French billionaire Francois-Henri Pinault in 2009, and the pair have a three-year-old daughter, Valentina.

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Viva Las Vegas



A report shows tourism continued to improve in June in Las Vegas, with the 16th straight month of increases in visitors and average hotel room rates.

The Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority released a report Wednesday that shows visitor numbers grew seven per cent and average daily room rates jumped 13 per cent in June compared with June 2010. The average daily hotel room rate rose from \$89.54 in June 2010 to \$101.15 this year.

Gambling revenue jumped most dramatically on the Las Vegas Strip, with a 32.3 per cent year-over-year increase. The Boulder Strip showed more modest gains of 5.7 per cent.

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New airport near Red Sea resort expected to boost tourism to southern Israel.

Kick back in breathtaking Killarney

- Nestled on the shores of Georgian Bay, Killarney is well-known for its rugged charm
- Pristine locale north of Toronto is just far enough away to keep the crowds at bay



► Killarney Provincial Park is a popular destination for artists and outdoor lovers alike.



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It doesn't take long to decompress in Killarney, although a jump into the soothing waters of Lake Huron on a hot summer day certainly speeds up the process.

Lounging by the rocky shore of Georgian Bay, the stillness of the day is only occasionally broken by the sound of children playing on the beach or the gurgle of boats passing through the channel. Whether relaxing in the sun or feasting on mouth-watering fish and chips, Killarney offers a welcome respite from the complications of everyday life.

A five-hour drive north of Toronto, Killarney is famed for its rugged natural beauty.

Outdoor lovers and artists flock to Killarney Provincial Park, yet the region is remote enough to have escaped the crowds and development experienced further south in Muskoka and the Kawarthas.

The village of Killarney is the hub for the region, nestled among the red granite rocks of the Canadian Shield. It's a popular stop for sailboats and cruisers plying the Great Lakes, in addition to fans of hiking, kayaking, canoeing and rock-hounding.

Here visitors will find Killarney Mountain Lodge,

What to do

Herbert Fisheries Fish and Chips

Killarney's main culinary attraction is Herbert Fisheries Fish and Chips. People have been known to fly in to town for the sole purpose of tasting their French fries and whitefish, lightly-battered and cooked to flaky perfection. There are no frozen fish sticks here; the catch is brought in daily from Lake Huron.

Group of Seven Killarney Provincial Park

a 46-room resort on the eastern edge of town.

Originally built as a private retreat for the Fruehauf Trailer Company of

has been a popular spot for artists ever since the region was featured in paintings by the Group of Seven. A.Y. Jackson was so concerned about logging that he spearheaded a successful lobbying effort to set aside land to protect its rugged beauty, eventually leading to the founding of the park.

How to get there

From Toronto by car, take Hwy. 400 North to Hwy. 69 then take 637 West to Killarney. It is a 4½ to 5 hour drive.

Detroit, the resort has been operated by Maury and Annabelle East since 1962. The cottage-like design hasn't changed much

since then, with its inviting wood decor and comfortable furniture.

Friendly activity directors check in with guests to inform them about scheduled sailing excursions, kayak lessons and scenic hikes.

"We try to encourage people to take those trips," says East. "We hope that they get out either on the bay or on the inland lakes to see the beauty of the area."

After a long day enjoying the outdoors, lodge visitors can enjoy comfort food made from tried and true recipes. Local ingredients are used whenever possible, from fresh pan-fried fish to succulent wild blueberries.

Beat the heat with a Kentucky cave tour

World's longest known cave offers summer respite

Blasts of cool air offered a welcome reprieve from the scorching summer as a tour group descended into the depths of the world's longest known cave. Some visitors donned light jackets for the long hike past panoramic scenes of subterranean wonders.

Heading underground at Mammoth Cave National Park is a sure way to escape the dog days of August. The celebrated cave that has lured the curious for thousands of years remains a temperate 12 C year-round.

"It's the first time I've been cool in I don't know how long," said Sarah Hyatt, who travelled from Maryland to marvel at the

History

Evidence indicates that the area's indigenous peoples ventured into the cave as far back as 2,000 to 4,000 years ago, apparently to scrape gypsum and other minerals off walls, said Carson, the park spokeswoman.

massive limestone formations with her parents and her eight-year-old daughter.

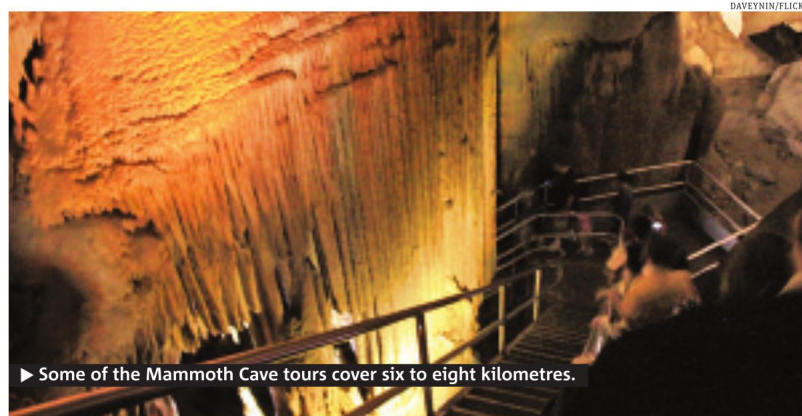
Each year, about 700,000 people take the short trip off Interstate 65 to visit Mammoth Cave, with the peak time coming in summer. In winter, the cave's temperate climate gives it a balmy feel, said park

It wasn't until the 1790s that Mammoth Cave was found by white settlers. For a time, the cave served as a valuable source of saltpeter, an ingredient for gunpowder. Mammoth Cave played a key role in supplying saltpeter for the young nation's military during the War of 1812.

spokeswoman Vickie Carson.

Tours cater to a range of visitors.

One tour suited for small children, the elderly and others who can't walk long distances covers about a half-kilometre and includes just a dozen stairs. Other tours cover



► Some of the Mammoth Cave tours cover six to eight kilometres.

six to eight kilometres and put participants through vigorous workouts.

On the popular Historic Tour, visitors take a winding three-kilometre hike that leads them some 95 metres below the surface.

It's not a stroll in the park. Participants have to chug up and down 440 stairs. Wide walkways leading into expansive "rooms" give way to belly-scraping paths that take a serpentine route through the rock.

For adults, there's

stooping to manoeuvre past low rock ceilings and sideways squeezing to slip through a narrow passage in a part of the cave known as Fat Man's Misery. There's a steep climb up a stairway at a majestic part of the cave known as Mammoth Dome.

"How are those hour-long aerobic workouts working for you now?" Hyatt asked her mother as visitors huffed their way upward.

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- 125 ml (1/2 cup) water
- 125 ml (4 oz) bourbon
- 1 can (175 ml/6 oz) frozen lemonade concentrate
- 1 can (175 ml/6 oz) frozen orange juice concentrate
- 250 ml (1 cup) ice cubes
- Orange slices
- Maraschino cherries

In blender container, pour in water, bourbon, lemonade and orange juice. Cover and process until smooth. With motor running, remove feeder cap; add ice cubes. Continue to process until smooth. Garnish with orange slice and maraschino cherry.

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Explore your corny side

► With corn season in full swing, it's time to get creative with the grain ► Introduce your backyard grill to corn to make Grilled Corn, Potato & Bean Salad, and Barbecue Mexican Corn

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This time of year brings tons of colour and flavour to the kitchen. Enjoy the splendour with Grilled Corn, Potato and Bean Salad.

For a slight crunch to the potatoes, after boiling, toss them in a bit of oil and grill them over medium heat until golden brown.



► This recipe makes six to eight servings.

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garlic, mustard and salt. Pour over potato mix and toss gently to coat. **EMILY RICHARDS IS A PROFESSIONAL HOME ECONOMIST, COOKBOOK AUTHOR AND A TV CELEBRITY CHEF. FOR MORE, VISIT** EMILYRICHARDSCOOKS.CA.

Ingredients:

- 4 cobs of corn, shucked
- 1 1/2 lbs (750 g) mini new potatoes
- 8 oz (250 g) green beans, trimmed
- 1 field tomato, chopped
- 1/3 cup (75 mL) chopped fresh basil
- 3 tbsp (45 mL) each extra virgin olive oil, cider vinegar
- 3 tbsp (45 mL) chopped sundried tomatoes in oil
- 2 cloves or 1 large clove garlic, minced
- 1 tsp (5 mL) Dijon mustard
- 1/2 tsp (2 mL) salt

Preparation:

- Place corn on greased grill over medium high heat; close lid and cook turning occasionally for about 10 minutes. Remove to cutting

board. When cool enough, cut kernels off. Place in bowl.

- Bring potatoes to boil in a pot of water. Boil for 15 minutes or until tender when pierced but

not falling apart. Remove with slotted spoon to cutting board. Add green beans into boiling water and cook for 5 minutes. Drain and cut in half; set aside.

- Cut potatoes in half, larger ones in quarters and add to bowl with corn. Add green beans, tomato and basil.

- In bowl, whisk oil, vinegar, sundried tomatoes,

Barbecue Mexican Corn Preparation:

- Heat a grill to high. In small bowl, mix mayo and barbecue spice rub. Set aside.
- Place corn, in husks, on grill and allow to steam cook for about 5 minutes per side.

- Peel back husk, check for tenderness. When corn is tender, remove from heat; leave grill on. Cut 2.5 cm (1 inch) off top of cobs. Grasp husk, along with silk, and peel husks off. Continue peeling back husks around rest of cob.

- Spray corn with cooking spray; grill until kernels charred. Turn occasionally. Remove.

- Brush mayo mix onto each cob. Sprinkle with cheese and cilantro. Serve with lime wedges. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/ NOW EAT THIS! ROCCO DISPIRITO**



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Ingredients:

- 50 ml (1/4 cup) fat-free mayo
- 5 ml (1 tsp) BBQ spice rub
- 4 ears local corn, in husks
- Butter-flavoured cooking spray
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) cotija cheese, grated
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) cilantro
- 1 lime, cut into 4 wedges

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What happens to the workplace bully when he or she is fired for bullying?

Sharon

Lynn Rodrigues, a manager at a Dairy Queen in Castlegar, B.C., was a very competent employee. But she was also a bully.

Rodrigues openly swore at work, referred to her staff as "stupid," arrived late, took long breaks and did not hesitate to criticize other employees for their performance. When she was in a foul mood, she was miserable to be around, and co-workers ac-

cused her of being verbally abusive. Even the restaurant's owner was afraid to confront her.

Although Rodrigues saw many of the staff as friends, they did not see it that way. They found her difficult to work for and highly critical.

Rodrigues's management style eventually caught up to her when complaints mounted to the restaurant's owner, Tim Kenna. One employee even inquired about a harassment claim. In response, Kenna resolved to deliver the message in the form of a probationary letter, warning Rodrigues that her behaviour was intolerable and that unless it improved, she would be fired. Kenna then left the store.

In Kenna's absence, Rodrigues launched a tirade against him, showing the letter to the staff and calling Kenna an idiot or a moron — or possibly worse. She even showed the letter

to a customer. Eventually, she just left. The situation was extremely awkward for the staff and one of them threatened not to return to the store until the problem was resolved. When Kenna learned what happened, he fired her.

Out of a job of 16 years and without severance, Rodrigues sued. Amazingly, she was in luck. The legal doctrine of condonation provides that an employer cannot later rely on misconduct as grounds for discipline if no steps were taken to correct that behaviour when it first occurred. Here, Kenna made one crucial mistake. Although he was aware of the staff's concerns, he stood by, never formally warning Rodrigues that her behaviour was unacceptable — until it was too late.

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STUDENT VOICE

ERIN MACFARLANE
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I completed my undergraduate degree in Political Studies at Queen's University in April 2010. Like many students in a Bachelor of Arts program, I found it difficult to find meaningful employment each summer. With no formal business training, I applied to countless jobs with little luck.

I was particularly interested in marketing internships. I'd taken an introductory course at



► Erin MacFarlane

Queen's and gained volunteer experience in the field, but unfortunately, I lacked the theoretical knowledge taught in business programs.

As I sent off resumé after resumé, it finally dawned on me — I wasn't getting interviews because hiring managers weren't even reading my application. Since I wasn't a business student, none of my relevant skills seemed to matter.

Companies often dismiss BA students for summer positions because they don't have a business background.

This eliminates talented candidates from the hiring pool and perpetuates the

myth that they're unqualified for these roles.

The truth is, many strategic and creative departments could benefit from the skills BA students bring to the table. Most of what an intern is responsible for is taught on the job. It's not about whether someone has completed dozens of marketing case studies in class; it's about being a fast learner and having the talent required to get the job done.

Researching essays all year long makes BA students strategic thinkers, thorough researchers and skilled writers. Arts students are able to think outside the box and analyze information at a high level. If you're searching for fresh energy and creative ideas, hiring an arts student is the way to go.

Companies need to expand the educational requirements for business-related jobs. Having a commerce degree should no longer be the top criteria for employment.

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What I learned

Key take-aways from Erin's experience:

► While in school, engage in extracurricular and volunteer activities that allow you to build skills outside of your degree.

► Then, in interviews, be sure to thoroughly discuss how those activities have prepared you for the role. If you don't have the educational background, it's your job to convince the employer that you're more than capable.

Where Erin is now

In April, I completed the Graduate Public Relations certificate program at Humber College. I am currently working as a communications intern in the energy industry.

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"He's an outstanding guy and I learned a lot, so I was thankful for him being open to me even coming down there."

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Friends mourn death of MMA trainer, 37

► Adrenaline Training Center closed until Monday as MMA community come to terms with the loss of London native Shawn Tompkins



► Brian Fletcher, strength and conditioning coach at Adrenaline Training Center, points out pictures yesterday of Shawn Tompkins and people he trained.

ANGELA MULLINS
FOR METRO

London's Adrenaline Training Center was quiet and dark yesterday afternoon. The gym, usually a busy hub of MMA training, reflected the mood of Shawn Tompkins' friends.

"None of us really want to be here, man," manager Alex Gasson told someone who came to train.

"We're all trying to wrap our heads around (Tompkins' death)," Gasson said later.

Media reports yesterday said Tompkins — a highly

regarded MMA trainer and London native — died of a heart attack. The 37-year-old was found dead Sunday morning in Hamilton.

Gasson said he had known Tompkins for about 15 years.

The pair trained, fought, lived and travelled together over the years.

For him, the cause of Tompkins' death wasn't important.

"What makes it hard is that he died," Gasson said. "I don't care how he died."

Tompkins was more than a fighter and trainer,

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► Shawn Tompkins

Gasson said. Aside from giving multitudes a chance to build MMA careers, Tompkins was role model outside

the ring — teaching anti-bullying seminars and self-defence classes for women.

"He's done more for communities than people can imagine," Gasson said. "What he accomplished in a month is more than what some people do in a lifetime."

Adrenaline Training Center, at 1794 Dundas St., will be closed for the rest of the week. The gym's owners and most head instructors trained with Tompkins, nicknamed "The Coach."

Rypien's death stuns those who saw him improving

After taking time away from his NHL career to battle depression, Rick Rypien finally appeared to be in a good place.

The scrappy centre, formerly with the Vancouver Canucks, recently signed with the Winnipeg Jets along with longtime friend Jason Jaffray. He appeared content and at peace and talked about the possibility of winning the Stanley Cup.

That's why news of Rypien's sudden death Monday came as a shock to Jaffray and others who watched Rypien battle his way, physically and mentally, into the NHL.

"Everyone knew he had some issues that he had to get taken care of last year and he was definitely a new man when he came back and ... he was definitely the happiest I'd ever seen him," Jaffray said yesterday from his home in Olds, Alta. "We actually had joked around about bringing a Cup back to Winnipeg."

Rypien was scheduled to fly to Winnipeg on Sunday night to have his knee checked Monday, Jets assistant general manager Craig Heisinger said. But he never boarded that flight.

The RCMP in Crowsnest Pass, Alta., said they received a call Monday afternoon concerning a "sudden and non-suspicious" death.

There was no immediate word on the cause of death.

Rypien had been dealing with depression for at least a decade, said Heisinger, who was the GM of the Manitoba Moose when Rypien played for the AHL team. By the summer, Heisinger said, Rypien appeared to have gained the upper hand. He had just signed a one-year, \$700,000 US deal with the Jets.

"He seemed really excited to be back here," Heisinger said. "I think there was a comfort zone here for him."

Rypien, 27, spent parts of six seasons with the Canucks organization. He played nine games with Vancouver last season and spent most of the year dealing with personal issues.

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Arsenal gets first post-Cesc win

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► Arsenal scores yesterday.

Arsenal began life without Cesc Fabregas with a 1-0 win over Udinese yesterday, although a lively performance from the visitors ensured the Champions League playoff remains in the balance heading into the second leg.

Theo Walcott scored just four minutes into the first leg to raise spirits

among demoralized Arsenal fans following Fabregas' departure, but the injury-hit Gunners could not build on its early advantage.

Only Wojciech Szczesny's saves ensured Arsenal goes to Italy next week with its slender advantage intact.

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Cargo space

Raising the hatch reveals a cargo hold that's about 50 per cent larger than that of the standard Prius. However, with the 60:40 split-folding rear-seat and the front-passenger seat back lowered, interior stowage volume bests most other compact wagons on the market and nearly matches Toyota's mid-size Venza wagon for space.

When transporting people, the rear bench can be adjusted fore and aft and will recline up to 45 degrees.

Softex

With the launch of the v, Toyota is also introducing what it calls Softex. It's an optional synthetic leather-like seat covering that the company claims is lighter than leather, more stain resistant and uses far fewer nasty chemicals in the manufacturing process than other faux leather materials.

All Prius models arrive well equipped, and among the more interesting options is a Panoramic View Moonroof with power-retractable sunshades.

Engine

The Prius v shares the 98-horsepower, 1.8-litre gas engine and 80-horsepower electric motor (that generates 134 net horsepower) and continuously variable transmission with its smaller hatchback sibling.

Still, even with the use of lighter high-strength steel and aluminum, the v is about 100 kilograms heavier than a regular Prius and pays the price in the fuel-economy department.



The Prius' 'v' stands for versatile

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And then there were two.

The Prius brand is welcoming a new family member with the autumn arrival of the Prius v wagon. Toyota explains the lower-case "v" stands for

versatile, but perhaps the automaker should have also added a "p" for practicality.

The current Prius hatchback that was introduced for the 2010 model year is already plenty practical, but the upcoming wagon goes one better. It also has a more conventional ap-

pearance that should make the Prius more appealing to a wider range of buyers. And the fact that the v's similar gasoline-electric power team produces exemplary fuel economy numbers — although not nearly as good as the hatch — is one more checkmark in its

favour.

The adjustments in converting the Prius into a Prius v are many. First off, the distance between the front and rear wheels has been increased. The roof has also been elevated and the body width increased just a touch.

From the driver's per-

spective, the v's nearly vertical liftgate makes for improved rear vision.

So far, Toyota is keeping mum on the cost of v ownership, but an on-the-road price in the \$32,000 range is expected. At that rate, the v could add the letter "s" for successful to the wagon's nomenclature.

5 drive

By comparison

Lexus CT200h

Base price: \$32,900
Compact hatch appears sporty but comes up a bit short on power.

Nissan Leaf

Base price: \$39,900
Electric hatchback fine for short hops, but planning ahead is imperative.

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They just keep on truckin'

- ▶ Ecoboost V6 takes on a V8 hotrod truck from the past
- ▶ They have similar power ratings, but, wow, how times have changed

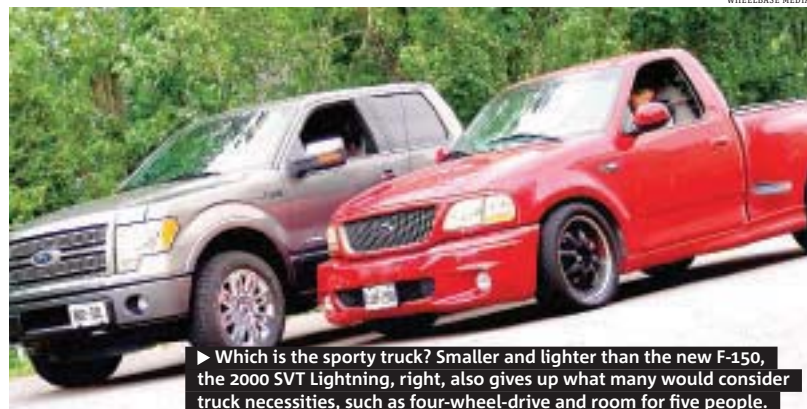
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Ten years have passed, but two pistons are missing and the belt-driven supercharger has been traded in for two turbochargers and the fancy EcoBoost name. This is progress, in someone's book?

So, can a V6, turbos or not, be any match for a V8? It's the question every person considering a new Ford F-150 is asking when the praises of the 3.5-litre EcoBoost V6 roll off the salesman's tongue. How can a paltry 213 cubic inches of displacement haul around a 2,500-kilogram truck and another 5,100 kilograms of trailer?

It's the obvious question, so when a new four-door EcoBoost F-150 entered our press fleet, the comparisons between our shop truck — the raucous F-150 Lightning SVT, once considered the quickest and fastest pickup truck on the planet — were flying faster than political-campaign promises.

The 1999-'04 Lightning



▶ Which is the sporty truck? Smaller and lighter than the new F-150, the 2000 SVT Lightning, right, also gives up what many would consider truck necessities, such as four-wheel-drive and room for five people.

was based on the two-wheel-drive regular-cab Flareside/stepsides pickup with the basic principle of keeping it simple to go fast. Still a little on the porky side at 2,100 kilograms, the Lightning sports big brakes, rumbling exhaust and a supercharged 5.4-litre V8 rated at 360 horsepower and up-rated to 380 for the 2001 model year with a lower final drive ratio to further help acceleration. Peak torque was 440-450 pound-feet depending on year. Ours is the 360-horsepower version from 2000.

By contrast, the four-door, four-wheel-drive Eco-

"Truck customers should think of the EcoBoost truck engine as a gas-powered engine with diesel-type capability and characteristics."

JIM MAZUCHOWSKI, FORD V6 ENGINES PROGRAM MANAGER

Boost F-150 is like bringing a knife to a gun fight ... where the Lightning is the gun. The bright red pickup has one goal in mind — performance — while the EcoBoost is flooded with luxury, such as a plush interior with chocolate-

coloured leather seats front and back, power running boards, "Platinum" trim and more safety and electronics than would ever fit inside the Lightning.

But, the EcoBoost makes a similar 365 horsepower and 420 pound-feet of torque while giving away about 450 kilograms of weight to the Lightning.

Now what? We took the pair to the dragstrip for a little head-to-head battle.

In terms of pure acceleration, the Lightning clawed away from the bigger and heavier EcoBoost with little trouble, posting quarter-mile times of 13.9

seconds at 100 m.p.h. (160 km/h). The EcoBoost F-150 — which posted impressive times of 15.4 seconds at 92 m.p.h. (147 km/h) — is simply not designed for the same one-dimensional purpose.

Yes, the EcoBoost is a stout little engine. But really, the acceleration only tells a tiny sliver of the story.

The EcoBoost F-150 Platinum seats five people, or two with a lot of gear. The regular-cab Lightning has room for just two people and almost no gear. As well, the EcoBoost is a 4x4, which makes it an all-season machine where the rear-drive Lightning — without any form of traction/stability control to prevent skids and spins — is utterly useless with even a skiff of snow and sometimes a handful even on wet pavement.

In terms of towing capacity, the EcoBoost tows 5,100 kilograms to the Lightning's 2,300.

Add in the fuel economy: About 14.7/10.7 l/100 km for the EcoBoost and just 18.0/13.8 l/100 km for the Lightning, and that's quite an "Egoboost" for the new F-150.

Top Gear

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More retro for your ride

The modern version of the 1970 Dodge Challenger is a darling of terminally nostalgic car nuts and brings forward many of the original's styling cues.

But, there could always be more, right?

Along with plenty of performance goodies for the Challenger offered by drakemuscle cars.com, you can also get this neat gas cap — in satin or with black accents — that somewhat emulates the original musclecar-era design.

It costs about \$194 US, but head over to Drake to download the four-page Challenger catalogue and read up on the \$1,400 US carbon-fibre hood, the billet-aluminum pistol-grip shifter handle and the billet tower-brace kit to help stiffen up the chassis.

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Last-gen Impreza looks like a reliable performer

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For years, the Subaru Impreza has been a popular choice for shoppers after all-season performance, versatility and driving confidence.

A lifestyle-oriented model with a reputation for reliability, safety and a "go-anywhere-anytime" attitude, Impreza boasted standard AWD across the board, sedan or five-door variants, and automatic or manual transmissions.

Look for features like a sunroof, automatic climate control, automatic lights, tinted glass and heated seats. Touring, Limited and Convenience packages were also available, depending on the year in question.

2008 to 2011 Subaru Impreza



Engine

Standard Impreza models got Subaru's 2.5-litre boxer four-cylinder engine, which whipped up 170 horsepower. A four-speed automatic or five-speed manual were available.



What owners like

Handling and driving dynamics, all-season traction, overall performance and flexibility are all highly rated by the Subaru Impreza's owner community. Ride comfort, headroom and overall value complete the list of owner-stated positives.



What owners dislike

A low-budget and "plasticky" interior feel, road noise and a less-than-adequate factory stereo system are common complaints. Some owners note that fuel consumption can be thirstier than a comparable two-wheel drive car.



Common issues

Check the windshield for an oily film that may impede vision. This could indicate a problem with a leaky heater core that's allowing coolant to evaporate. Check the front footwells for signs of dampness through the carpet, which could indicate a water leak. Ensure the air conditioner works properly, check the liftgate (if equipped) and look for broken or missing interior trim pieces.

Verdict

This generation of Impreza didn't pack any new and radical technology, though it seems to be a solid and reliable performer as a result. With a thumbs-up from a mechanic, owners can expect a reliable and worry-free all-season driving experience for years to come.

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Shopping for shoes or power tools is fun. Shopping for car insurance is not.

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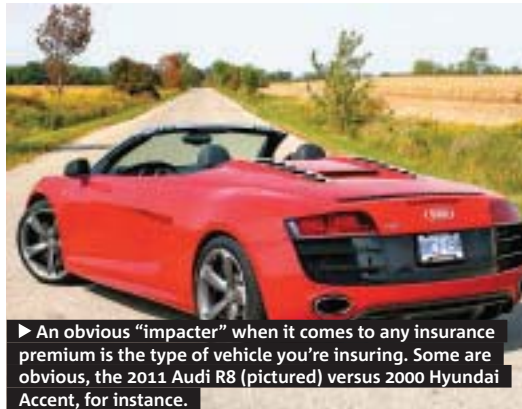
It also doesn't help that car insurance is expensive, and getting more so every day.

But we should at least take solace that it is now easier to comparison shop for a good insurance deal, via the rise of online comparison-shopping sites like Kanetix.ca, insurancehotline.com and others.

"It's a fact of life that some insurers have more attractive offers than others," says George Small, founder and manager of Kanetix.ca.

Whether you find them online or in your local neighbourhood, speaking one-on-one to brokers and agents also has to be part of the shopping experience.

This is to ensure your current or new insurer really understands your needs so you're not under-buying



► An obvious "impactor" when it comes to any insurance premium is the type of vehicle you're insuring. Some are obvious, the 2011 Audi R8 (pictured) versus 2000 Hyundai Accent, for instance.

or over-buying.

An agent will represent one insurance company, while a broker would represent several. Leonard Sharman of The Co-operators, one of Canada's largest auto insurers, cautions to be leery of brokers who merely show you their "best

quote" — not the same thing as seeing or hearing all the quotes from all the insurers they represent.

You need to have liability and accident benefit coverage. You're probably already right at the minimum (\$1 million for most provinces), which is

more than enough for most folks. If you're paying for more, ask your advisor/broker/agent to explain why they're recommending the higher amount.

But physical damage or collision protection is optional, and if you're driving an older or cheaper car, it might be a good call to drop it.

You have less to lose if an older vehicle is hit or totaled.

You can also decrease the amount of deductible for at-fault collision protection.

Small notes two factors often contribute to your comfort level with higher deductibles: your financial ability to absorb the extra amount (\$1,000 versus \$500, for example); and your family's collective driving record and expertise (decent or shaky?).

"Some families can just take more risk," notes Small.

He adds that Kanetix.ca makes it very easy to see the impact of lower deductibles; you can change the deductible amount and quickly see how it affects the quote.

Small is surprised how many consumers don't always take full advantage of the various discounts that are available to insurance shoppers.

"On the Kanetix.ca you can identify the driver as student. Many insurers offer student discounts," says Small.

Shopping around for insurance might never be fun, but at least it can save you some bucks — bucks you can go shopping with, for things that really strike your fancy.

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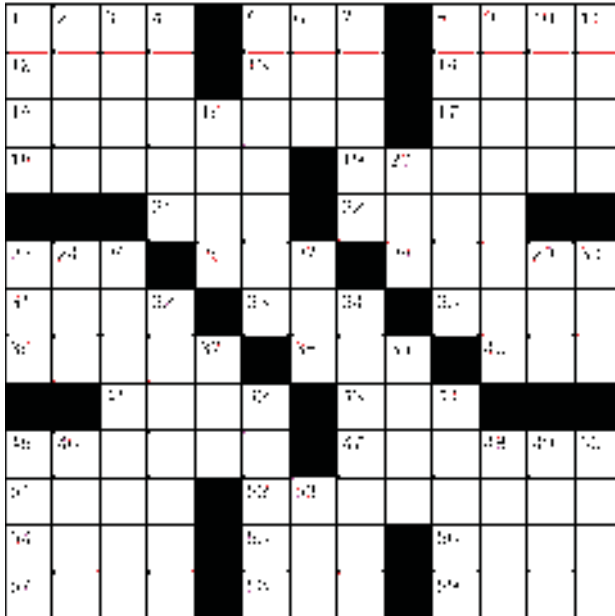
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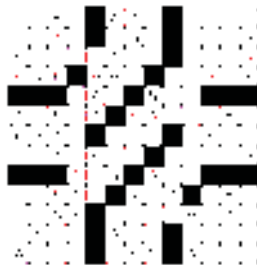
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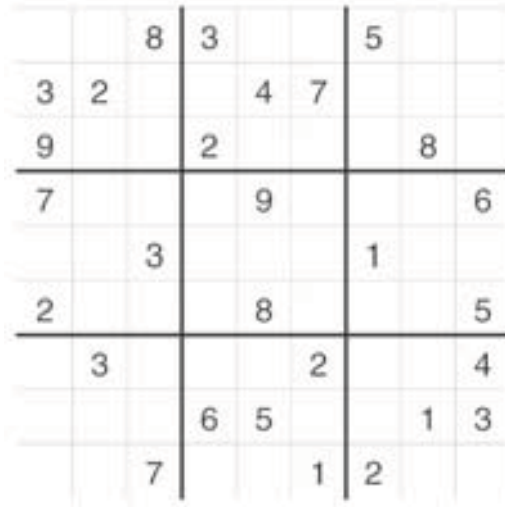
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Samula, Your lips colliding against mine make my heart sing at the top of its lungs. You make my hectic life, rational. You make doing nothing, everything. Wuv u bb. ECREAMZ

Today's horoscope

♈ Aries March 21-April 20 Creatively and romantically this is your time of year, so get out there.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 It may annoy you that someone is telling tales about you, but does it really matter? There is precious little they can do to make you look bad.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 The Sun close to your ruler Mercury makes it easy to express yourself.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 You are overdue for good news. If it does not arrive today, it will certainly arrive tomorrow.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug. 23 What you want more than anything is total confidence, and according to the planets, you might get it today.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24-Sept. 22 This may not be an easy time for you but at least now you can put a name to your fears.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Your outlook on life will change for the better over the next 24 hours.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Keep telling yourself that you will succeed. Keep telling yourself that you have what it takes.

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♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21

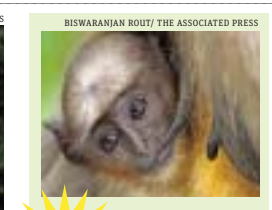
You have a duty to tell the truth, so speak up — even if some people's feelings get hurt.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Be on the lookout for money-making opportunities over the next 24 hours. You'd make a great CEO!

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 A friend will say something that shocks you. He or she is only human. Don't be too judgmental.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20 You should find it easier to organize your routine. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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Traveller's spirit and Scotiabank support help Shanghai native start Canadian journey

As the operator of a Shanghai travel agency, Yuxiang Zhang had a love of travel that he put to the test when he decided to move to Canada. But when he faced worries about this colossal trip, he discovered how Scotiabank's multinational team and services can provide a smooth landing.

Mr. Zhang's personal journey began after he visited Becky, his only daughter, who had immigrated to Canada in 1999. Seeing how she was enjoying her life in a friendly, multicultural country, he decided to become a family class immigrant.

"I was excited to join my daughter, but I was also unsure about the details, such as how would I move forward without speaking English?" says Mr. Zhang, who also wondered about practical issues such as the process to transfer money to a Canadian bank.

Fortunately, Becky convinced him to attend an immigration seminar in Shanghai, hosted by Scotiabank and The Cross-Cultural Community Services Association, where Bank officials answered every question, ranging from the Canadian job market to government services. He also learned about the **Scotiabank StartRight®** Program¹ for Newcomers, which includes a free day-to-day bank account for one year², a wide range of VISA[®] card options³ and a number of other customized services and benefits.

"Before the seminar, I was very worried, but afterwards I felt relieved, and it gave me the courage to move forward," recounts Mr. Zhang, who arranged for his Canadian and U.S. dollar bank accounts with Scotiabank, and applied for a credit card, while still in Shanghai, through the Bank's partnership with China Everbright Bank.

After landing in Toronto in late 2009, Mr. Zhang went alone to the Scotiabank branch at the Steeles & Silverstar location to activate his accounts. Speaking only Mandarin and Russian, he wasn't sure how things would go. Luckily, he was greeted by Isa Ho, Branch Manager, and her multilingual staff. "Surprisingly, it went well, and my accounts and debit card were ready, and my VISA[®] card came within a week," marvels Mr. Zhang.

Isa, a Canadian immigrant who speaks both Cantonese and Mandarin, is well prepared to serve newcomers. She often calls them long distance before they move, to help them prepare. "I tell them about banking options and what are the best schools for their kids," says Isa, a 31-year veteran of Scotiabank, who still remembers seeing donuts for the first time when she arrived. "When they get here, we answer their questions about Canadian customs, and explain about banking in Canada. Also, since many newcomers want to buy

a home, we educate them on Canadian mortgages and how to avoid credit mistakes."

Today, Mr. Zhang is enjoying life in Canada, studying English and preparing to start a tour business for both Chinese and Canadian travellers. During an upcoming visit to China, he will tell others about the opportunities in Canada and "the friendly, open and trustworthy service I experience at Scotiabank."

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1. The Scotiabank StartRight Program, created for Canadian Landed Immigrants from 0-3 years in Canada, International Students and Foreign Workers.
2. Offer available for one year when you open a new PowerChequing[®] account with Scotiabank. Free banking refers to personal account level service fees only. This includes all account monthly transaction fees. It does not include fees not covered by your banking package nor fees charged by other financial institutions. Fees not covered with the PowerChequing account, including access fees to use non-Scotiabank banking machines (e.g. Interac, VISA or PLUS fees), continue to apply. Cardholder service fees continue to apply for using the cross-border debit service.
3. Subject to meeting Scotiabank's credit criteria and security requirements.
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